

# Emergency Certificates – 3 year analysis

2014-15, 2013-14, and 2012-13

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## Overview

The Emergency Certificate Report is an annual report that provides data from the prior three school years. This report will provide a deeper understanding of the annual issuance of emergency certificates in Rhode Island. The report is designed to track trends in the issuance of emergency certificates.

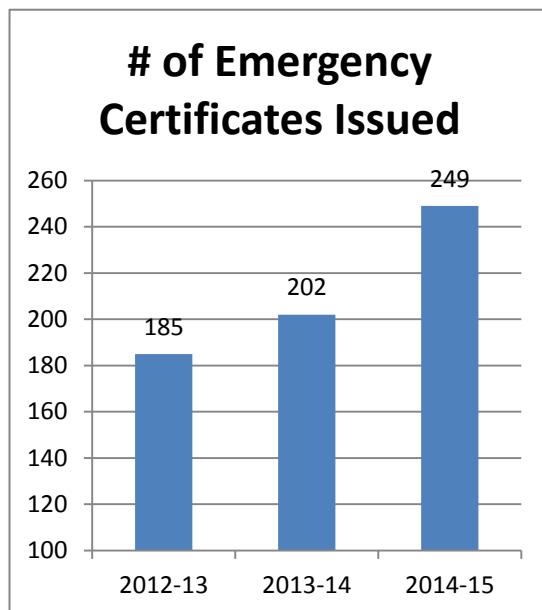
The data within the report include:

- Number of emergency certificates issued in 2013-2014 that were renewed as an emergency certificate or converted to a full certificate (initial or professional) in 2014-2015.
- Numbers of emergency certificates issued in 2014-2015 to teachers who held other full certification, as well as did not hold full certification
- Numbers of emergency certificates that are issued in 2014-2015 for the first time as well as renewals.
- Distribution of emergency certificates by certification areas
- Distribution of emergency certificates by school districts

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## 1. How many emergency certificates were issued?

- During the 2012-2013 school year, 185 emergency certificates were issued to 174 individuals (9 individuals held two emergency certificates and 1 individual held three emergency certificates).
- During the 2013-2014 school year, 202 emergency certificates were issued to 187 people (13 individuals held two emergency certificates and 1 individual held three emergency certificates).
- During the 2014-2015 school year, 249 emergency certificates were issued to 231 people (14 individuals held two emergency certificates and 2 individuals held three emergency certificates).

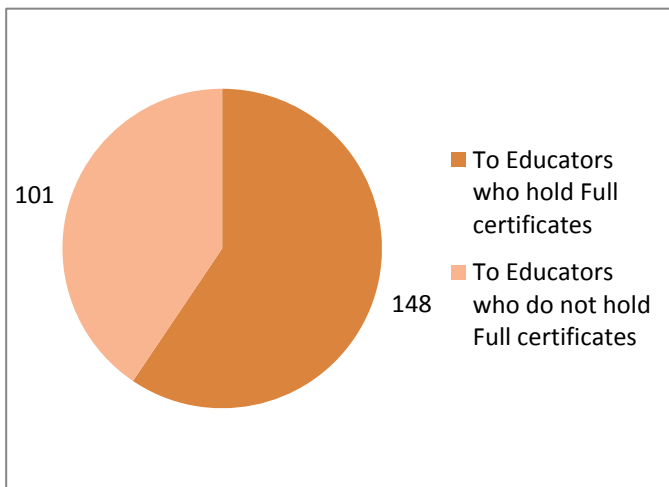


## 2. What happened to the certificates at the end of school year 2013-2014?

Of the 202 emergency certificates issued in 2013-2014:

- 87 (43%) were renewed as an Emergency certificate in 2014-2015
- 45 (22%) were converted to full certificates in the field of the emergency certificate in school year 2014-2015
- 40 (20%) were not renewed in 2014-2015, but the holder of the certificate is teaching in another certificate area in Rhode Island (for the 2013-2014SY)
- 30 (15%) were not renewed in 2014-2015 and there is no evidence that the holder is teaching in Rhode Island a public school.

### 3. How many of this year's (school year 2014-2015) certificates are issued to fully certified teachers?



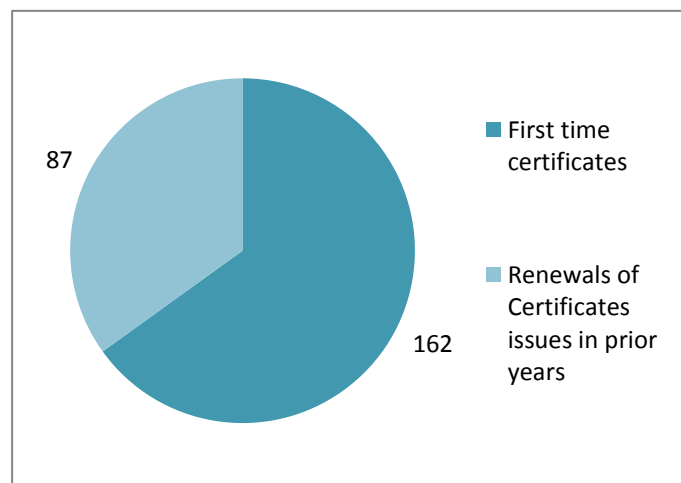
Of the 249 emergency certificates issued for 2014-2015:

- 148 (59%) were issued to individuals who held full certification in another area
- 101 (41%) were issued to individuals who did not hold full certification in any area

### 4. How many of this year's (school year 2013-14) certificates are first time issuances and how many are renewals?

Of the 249 emergency certificates issued for 2014-2015:

- 162 (65%) were first time certificates
- 87 (35%) were renewals of certificates that were issued in prior years



### 5. What is the distribution of emergency certificates issued in 2014-2015 by certification areas?

- Special Education accounts for 17% of the certificates – an increase from 15% last year, primarily in Severe Intellectual Disability
- Secondary Education accounts for 17% of the certificates – no change from last year.
- ESL and Bilingual Education account for 36% of the certificates – a decrease from 41% last year, primarily attributable to a decrease in Secondary Grades ESL.
- Special Subjects account for 7% of the certificates – an increase from 4% last year, primarily due to an increase in Library Media which went from 3 certificates to 16 certificates.

Of note:

- The group with the highest number of certificates, 89, is English as a Second Language (ESL) and Bilingual and Dual Language (BDL) certificates. They account for 36% of the certificates issued.
- The largest numbers of emergency certificates in core content areas continue to be in mathematics (8 high school, 6 middle school) and the sciences (20 high school, 5 middle school).
- After a period of decline in the 3 years prior to this report (53 in 2010-2011, 37 in 2011-2012, and 26 in 2012-2013), the number of emergency certificates in special education has been increasing over the last 2 years (26 in 2012-2013, 31 in 2013-2014, and 42 in 2014-2015)

#### **6. What is the distribution of emergency certificates issued in 2014-2015 by school district?**

Of the 249 certificates issued for 2014-2015:

- 163 (65%) were issued to the six districts that top the list of requests: Providence (115); Pawtucket (18); Chariho (12); Central Falls (11); The MET (7); and Woonsocket (7).
- 16 (7%) were issued to Charter Schools.
- 14 (5%) were issued at the request of private special education facilities.

#### **7. What is the certificate area breakdown (grouped by grade span) for the past three years – 2012-2013, 2013-2014, and 2014-2015?**

The following tables include emergency certificate area details for the past three years.

The listing includes both independent and dependent certificate areas. Readers should consider how certification rules may impact this emergency certificate data. In order for an individual to obtain an emergency for a dependent certificate, s/he must also hold the independent related certificate area. This sometimes results in the issuance of an additional area in a non-shortage certificate. The certificate areas that were issued in order for an educator to attain a dependent certificate are noted with an asterisk. In such instances, the independent certificates that were issued may not indicate a true need for that certificate area.

The complete listing of dependent and independent certificates is found [here](#).

Emergency Certificates: A Three Year Comparison															
	2012-2013					2013-2014					2014-2015				
	Renew	First Issue	Total	%	Cert	Renew	First Issue	Total	%	Cert	Renew	First Issue	Total	%	Cert
<b>Early Childhood Total*</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	1%		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	1%		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	1%	
<b>Elementary Total*</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	0%		<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	0%	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	1%	
ESL-Early Childhood	0	13	13	7%	6	4	3	<b>7</b>	3%	3	4	3	<b>7</b>	3%	
ESL-Elementary	9	11	20	11%	7	7	18	<b>25</b>	12%	7	9	20	<b>29</b>	12%	
ESL-Middle Grades	0	6	6	3%		3	7	<b>10</b>	5%	1	4	9	<b>13</b>	5%	
ESL-Secondary	3	26	29	16%	3	13	15	<b>28</b>	14%	3	11	13	<b>24</b>	10%	
ESL Specialist PK-12	0	2	2	1%	1	0	3	<b>3</b>	1%	3	3	3	<b>6</b>	2%	
Bilingual-Early Childhood	0	1	1	1%		0	0	<b>0</b>	0%		0	2	<b>2</b>	1%	
Bilingual-Elementary	0	8	8	4%		5	2	<b>7</b>	3%	1	2	5	<b>7</b>	3%	
Bilingual-Middle Grades	0	1	1	1%		1	2	<b>3</b>	1%		0	1	<b>1</b>	0%	
Bilingual-Secondary	0	0	0	0%		0	0	<b>0</b>	0%		0	0	<b>0</b>	0%	
<b>ESL and Bilingual Total</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>80</b>	43%	<b>17</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>83</b>	41%	<b>18</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>89</b>	36%	
MS English	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
MS English-Elem Ext	0	0	0	0%		0	1	1	0%		0	1	1	0%	
MS English-Sec Ext	0	3	3	2%		1	2	3	1%		0	0	0	0%	
MS Math	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	1	1	0%	
MS Math-Elem Ext	0	1	1	1%	1	0	6	6	3%		0	6	6	2%	
MS Math-Sec Ext	0	2	2	1%		0	1	1	0%		0	1	1	0%	
MS Science	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
MS Science-Elem Ext	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	1	1	0%	
MS Science-Sec Ext	0	3	3	2%		1	2	3	1%	1	1	3	4	2%	
MS Social Studies	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
MS Social Studies-Elem Ext	0	1	1	1%		1	0	1	0%		0	1	1	0%	
MS World Lang-French	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
MS World Lang-Latin	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
MS World Lang-Spanish	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
MS World Lang-Elem Ext-Spanish	0	1	1	1%	1	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
MS World Lang-Sec Ext-Spanish	0	0	0	0%		0	2	2	1%		0	0	0	0%	
<b>Middle School Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	6%	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>17</b>	8%	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	6%	
<b>School Nurse Total</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	6%	5	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>	5%		<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>17</b>	7%	
Biology	0	0	0	0%		0	2	2	1%	2	1	3	<b>4</b>	2%	
Business	1	1	2	1%		0	1	1	0%		0	0	<b>0</b>	0%	
Chemistry	0	8	8	4%	3	3	4	7	3%	1	2	4	<b>6</b>	2%	
English*	1	3	4	2%	1	2	0	2	1%	3	0	4	<b>4</b>	2%	
General Science	1	4	5	3%	1	3	3	6	3%	2	3	2	<b>5</b>	2%	
Mathematics	1	4	5	3%	1	4	5	9	4%	3	4	4	<b>8</b>	3%	
Physics	0	0	0	0%		0	3	3	1%		2	3	<b>5</b>	2%	

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	Renew	First Issue	Total	%	Cert	Renew	First Issue	Total	%	Cert	Renew	First Issue	Total	%	Cert
Social Studies*	4	0	4	2%	2	1	0	1	0%	1	1	2	3	1%	
French (incl. AG-World Lang)	0	2	2	1%		0	0	0	0%		0	3	3	1%	
Italian	0	0	0	0%		0	1	1	0%		1	0	1	0%	
Latin	0	0	0	0%		0	1	1	0%		0	1	1	0%	
Portuguese	0	1	1	1%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
Spanish (incl. AG-World Lang)	0	1	1	1%		0	2	2	1%		0	2	2	1%	
<b>Secondary Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>17%</b>	
Spec Ed Early Childhood	5	3	8	4%	3	4	7	11	5%	3	5	12	17	7%	
Spec Ed Elem/Middle	0	0	0	0%		0	1	1	0%		0	1	1	0%	
Spec Ed Middle/Sec	3	13	16	9%	8	5	6	11	5%		4	5	9	4%	
Spec Ed Severe Intellectual Disability	1	1	2	1%	1	1	7	8	4%	3	7	8	15	6%	
Spec Ed -Visually Impaired	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
Spec Ed -DHH	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
Spec Ed Administrator	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
<b>Special Education Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>17%</b>	
Art	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
Dance	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
Health Education	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
Family Consumer Science	0	1	1	1%		1	1	2	1%		0	0	0	0%	
Library/Media	1	4	5	3%		3	0	3	1%	3	3	13	16	6%	
Music	1	0	1	1%		0	1	1	0%	1	1	0	1	0%	
Physical Education	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
Technology Education	1	0	1	1%		2	0	2	1%		0	1	1	0%	
Theatre	0	1	1	1%		1	0	1	0%		0	0	0	0%	
<b>Special Subjects Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>7%</b>	
Reading Specialist	1	0	1	1%	1	0	1	1	0%	1	0	1	1	0%	
School Counselor	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
Speech Language Path	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
School Social Worker	0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%		0	0	0	0%	
<b>Support Professional Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0%</b>	
<b>CTE Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6%</b>		<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>8%</b>	
<b>Emergency Certificates Total</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>185</b>		<b>47</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>202</b>		<b>43</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>248</b>		